

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



**FISCAL NOTE**

**HB 539 - SB 989**

March 18, 2013

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Repeals the requirement that a majority of eligible employees in a local education agency (LEA) must approve a proposed insurance plan before the plan is adopted. Adds a provision requiring the local education insurance committee to make available, on an annual basis, claims data to brokers and insurance companies that seek to offer a plan to the LEA.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumptions:

- Any increase in state expenditures to provide the required data to brokers and insurance companies is estimated to be not significant.
- Federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPPA) guidelines may prevent the release of certain data.
- Removal of the approval provision by a majority of eligible employees could result in different insurance plans being adopted for local education agencies. It is assumed that costs related to any different plan would be comparable to costs for plans adopted under current law.
- According to the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System, this bill would have no impact on the pension fund.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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